



**Governor Haslam announces the 2013 RTP grant awards.**

Twelve (12) grant projects totaling \$1,694,000 in grant funds which will be matched by an additional \$ 424,000 in local matching funds.

For more details on the 2013 grant awards, visit: <http://news.tn.gov/node/11191>

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**Outdoor**

**Clarksville:** <http://www.cityofclarksville.com/index.aspx?page=427>

Coordinated through the Clarksville Parks and Recreation

Department: <http://www.cityofclarksville.com/index.aspx?page=141>

See what there is to do in the Clarksville-Montgomery County area by air, land and water. Also check out the Participating Organizations to make connections to get outdoors.



Top 10 Favorite Tennessee Trails according to recent survey by the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy.

[http://community.railstotrails.org/blogs/trailblog/?utm\\_source=08.15.13+Newsletter&utm\\_campaign=08.13.15+Newsletter&utm\\_medium=email](http://community.railstotrails.org/blogs/trailblog/?utm_source=08.15.13+Newsletter&utm_campaign=08.13.15+Newsletter&utm_medium=email)

Congratulations go to the Shelby Farms Greenline as they were the No. 1 ranked trail on this list. Check the others to find some great places to walk or ride a bicycle.



*National Recreation Trail Nominations due November 1<sup>st</sup>*

<http://www.americantrails.org/nationalrecreationtrails/ApplyNRT.html>

Join the Wolf River Greenway (designated in 2012) and the 31 other trails across the state of Tennessee that have been awarded National Recreation Trail status.

One application is for the U.S. Department of Agriculture areas (National Forests) and the other is for other federal, state or local agencies.

The online application process is

easy, <http://www.americantrails.org/nationalrecreationtrails/previewapp.html> and a letter of support from the RTP Trails Administrator is needed for the application. Contact [Robert.richards@tn.gov](mailto:Robert.richards@tn.gov) if you need more information.

## Adventures into the Clouds

Cloud Hiking:

<http://www.cloudhiking.com/index.php>

Checkout this website to find maps of trails in Tennessee and lots of other unique locations. When you click on the links, there are photos and descriptions of the trails.

Wolf River Conservancy:  
<http://www.wolfriver.org/>

Save the Date for the Greenway Soiree on September 21, 2013 and this fun filled evening is Sponsored by the Memphis Orthopedic Group. General Admission or VIP tickets are available for a night of food, beverages, good music and maybe even dancing!

Register at <https://wolfriverconservancy.wufoo.com/forms/2013-greenway-soiree/>



2013 National Trails Day Final Report:  
<http://www.americanhiking.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/07/NTD-2013-Final-Report-small-2.pdf>

Tennessee is once more in the Top 5 in the Nation with 105 recorded activities for NTD. Texas was fourth with 106. Thanks to everyone, especially the Tennessee State Parks and the Tennessee Trails Association for hosting NTD events.

The date for 2014 is June 7<sup>th</sup> so watch the TIDBITS for more information next Spring!

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